

Dear Uncle

I now sit down with pleasure to let you know that arrived safe in Richibucto and found my Father and Mother and Family all well and it gave them a great deal of pleasure to hear that you and your Family <sup>were</sup> all well. I had a very long passage I stopt four days in Quebec and got a passage to the Bay of Shalere and on our passage down we run foul of a brig and broke our cross bet yard and our Gabeon but got off clear we stoped at five or six places down to the Bay of Shalere as we had flour and rum for different people and all sort fishing carried on here all these shores we arrived the fourteenth day and there we staid three weeks for a passage to Richibucto and I arrived at home two days before this Date I mentioned to you about my sister getting married in the letter from Mount Royal but it is not so for her and my Brother John left here four days before I arrived for Liverpool and intends going from there to Ireland and intends returning in the spring and I was very sorry that I had not the pleasure of seeing them before they left my Brother William is working at the Blacksmith Trade about

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of the family and is quite as big as Sam I went  
to my Father how you would be glad to see all  
the family up in Canada but he thinks that  
he will stop here as there is a great deal of trouble  
of moving and likewise he could not dispose  
of his property to any advantage therefore he  
concludes on stopping in Michigan etc I have  
not been here long a knuff to know wheather  
I will have any chance to dispose of my land  
or not but I expect to see you again for all I  
like Michigan as well as Canada and times is  
getting a great deal better since I left here last  
fall there has been a good many shipwrecks  
in here this spring and timber is up from  
fourteen shillings to eighteen and twenty  
per ton and crops looks very well here this  
summer the wheat is only shooting now  
and the potatoes is in bloom and the corn  
is just getting ripe which is a great difference  
from your place I have nothing particular  
to mention but wishes you to write as soon  
as possible as we would be very glad to hear

from you all Mr. Ellet wrote to Richard the  
same time he wrote to me from York and the got  
the letter in Richelieu in the winter and  
mentioned in his letter that he was about writing  
a letter to me but did not mention where I  
was as he expected I had wrote I have nothing  
more worth mentioning but my Father and  
Mother and Brother joins me in sending their  
best respects to you and my Aunt and all the  
family give my best respects to Mr. and  
Mrs. Ford and Mr. and Mrs. Hays and to  
Bell and all Englewood friends - so -

I am your affectionate  
stepson  
and humble servant  
Richard Bell

When you write Direct to me in Richelieu  
in the Province of New Brunswick

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